# **City of Reedsburg Personnel Committee Minutes**

January 3, 2017

Present: Phil Peterson, Bill Finnegan, Dave Knudsen, Don Hull, Tiffany Schulte

Others: Stephen Compton, Tim Becker

Chairman Phil Peterson called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Minutes: December 5, 2016

Motion by Don Hull, second by Bill Finnegan to approve the minutes. Motioned carried 5-0.

## I.A. Continued discussion of sick leave payout for qualified employees: Current Sick Leave Cash Policy:

- Retiring Employee
- Ten or more years with the City.
- Sick Leave Threshold Currently is 1040 Hours and Employee can cash out up to 65 days ( Hours) of accrued sick leave.
- Remaining accrual balance of Sick leave is lost.

The conversation switched back to the potential for Sick leave accrual - payout and about how the City might set in place a "Sick Leave Accrual - Pay Program. Discussion centered on allowing 50 hours to be cashed out for the employee who had received the maximum banked amount – 1040 hours. Employees earn a sick day a month or 12 in a year. [1 day = 8 hours so the 1040 hours (130 days) would be reached in 10 years]

Motion by Don Hull, second by Bill Finnegan for the City Administrator to draft a "Sick Leave Pay Out" Policy Motioned carried 5-0.

#### I.B Donated Sick Leave Policy.

City Administrator presented different City Sick Leave donation policy's. The Personnel Committee reviewed other community policy.

- Most Committee Members like the donated leave version that has request forms and checklists. Can donate up to a certain amount but must maintain a sick leave bank of personal sick leave. Any sick leave that is not used by the "Receiving Employee" can be returned to the donating employee.

Motion by Tiffany Schulte, seconded by Don Hull for City Administrator to develop an "Employee Donated Sick Leave Policy". Motioned carried 5-0.

#### I.C. Employee Benefit Review (City Administrator Work Plan).

City Administrator provided information about a study of employee benefits that is just being started using the TRICOR (City Broker). This study will take some time and is in preparation for the 2018 Budget Year.

# II. Closed Session - Communications Center - Dispatcher Wages.

Motion by Don Hull, second by Bill Finnegan to go into closed session. Motioned carried 5-0.

The City Administrator and Chief of Police provided a briefing on the current wages and vacant positions in the Police - Communications Center. A review of Dispatcher wages was presented and circumstances surrounding recruitment and training. (Copy of Handout Included)

Motion by Don Hull, second by Tiffany Schulte to come out of closed session. Motioned carried 5-0.

Motion by Don Hull, second by Bill Finnegan to recommend to the City Council a change in hourly wage of \$2.00 for each Dispatcher in the Communications Center. Also a range of Dispatcher Wages will be recommended. Motioned carried 5-0.

### III. Adjourn:

Moved by Bill Finnigan, second by Tiffany Schulte to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen P. Compton City Administrator